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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICANT : Jackowski et al.
INVENTION: : BIOPOLYMER MARKER INDICATIVE OF DISEASE
STATE HAVING A MOLECULAR WEIGHT OF
1518 DALTONS
SERIAL NUMBER : 09/845,765
FILING DATE : April 30, 2001
EXAMINER: : (not assigned yet)
GROUP ART UNIT : 1616
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : 2132.036

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Sir:

Applicants have received a Request for Substitute Papers under 37 CFR 1.52(a) mailed March 22, 2002, for the above-identified application. The Request indicates the papers filed on February 7, 2002 are no longer in condition to become part of the permanent records due to the sanitization process. However, the Request does not indicate which specific document needs to be resubmitted in order to comply with this Request in a timely manner. Pursuant to a telephone

conference with Ms. Ivey the Supervisor in the Application Branch, and Jill Warden the supervisor in Group Art Unit 1700, it is still unclear as to the appropriate document the U.S. Patent Office is requesting.

Applicants respectfully request the OIPE give notification of the specific document that is requested to be resubmitted in order to respond to the Request and comply with all requirements under 37 CFR 1.52(a).

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Respectfully submitted,



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Title: Biopolymer marker indicative of disease state having a molecular weight of 1518 daltons

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